IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

Crim. Application No. 4277 of 2006

Navnath Manohar Pawar ..Applicant

vs.

The State of Maharashtra ..Respondent

Shri A.K.Saxena, advocate for applicant (appointed).

Shri S.S.Pednekar, A.P.P. for respondent State.

CORAM: S.C.DHARMADHIARI J.
15th December,2006

P.C.

1. This is an application through jail. The applicant had earlier applied for bail and his application was rejected by the learned Additional Sessions Judge at Kalyan on 5th September, 2006.

2. I have heard Shri Saxena for the applicant and Shri Pednekar, learned A.P.P. for respondent State. I have perused the relevant material in the charge sheet and a copy of the F.I.R. From the material produced at this prima facie stage, I do not feel that the conclusion drawn by the learned Additional Sessions Judge that the seriousness and gravity of the offence with which the applicant is

charged does not make out a case for grant of bail is erroneous. There is material to indicate that the deceased was ill treated persistently with a demand for money. There was some sort of compromise and the applicant appears to have given an undertaking in writing that he would treat the deceased properly. Even thereafter the harassment continued. Prima facie, allegations of illicit relation are also there against the applicant. Application is, therefore, dismissed.

3. However, since the applicant has been detained from 6th April, 2006, it would be desirable and in the interest of justice that the trial is expedited. The concerned Adhoc Sessions Judge should endeavour and dispose of this case as expeditiously as possible and by 31st August, 2007.

4. Application stands dismissed.

(S.C.DHARMADHIKARI J.)